

The Pocahontas Times.

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Democratic Nominees

POCAHONTAS COUNTY,

For County Clerk
S. L. BROWN.

For Circuit Clerk:
J. H. PATTERSON.

For Superintendent of Schools:
J. B. GRIMES

For House of Delegates:
DR. J. P. MOOMAU.

For Commissioner County Court:
DR. JOHN LIGON.

For State Senate
R. F. KIDD
Of Glenville, W. Va.

For Congress
J. H. MILLER
Hinton, W. Va.

DEFACING MAIL BOXES.

We received last week, too late for publication, a communication from a citizen of the Hills community, pertaining to the work of some vandal who is tearing down and defacing the mail boxes along the free delivery route which has lately been established. We fully intended publishing this letter, but it has been unavoidably mislaid. A large community is greatly benefited by the free delivery, but it took some work to get it established, creating a good deal of feeling, and some cowardly person is venting his spite in this way. There is considerable evidence as to the guilty person's identity, and should he continue in his underhand business steps will be taken toward his arrest and conviction. This defacing and destruction of mail boxes is a violation of the United States postal laws, and the penalty is a heavy fine or imprisonment.

The following is the text of the statute passed by Congress in regard to boxes placed along the free delivery route:

"Whoever shall hereafter wilfully injure, tear down, or destroy any letter box or receptacle established by order of the Postmaster General for the receipt or delivery of mail matter on any rural route, or shall wilfully break open same, deface or destroy any mail matter therein deposited, shall for every offense be punished by a fine of not more than \$1000.00, or by imprisonment for not more than five years."

B. Greenbrier & Gauley River Railway.

For the past three weeks a corps of civil engineers from Johnstown, Pa., have been working on a railroad up Stamping Creek. They are headed by S. G. Fetterman, the leading engineer of Johnstown, and assisted by H. C. Howard and L. T. Rager. The road leaves the Greenbrier Branch of the C. and O. near the bridge on the Sarah Clendennin place, and follows the creek to the Nottingham Run, eight miles, thence back along Cranberry Mountain a mile to the top of the mountain.

Frank Gladwell of Seebert and Charles Vaughn of the mountain are also assisting on the corps. The engineers expect to remain about two weeks. Before leaving Mr Fetterman will look over the mountain to find a suitable crossing to Williams River, so that should a connection ever be desirable it could easily be made.

The corps has been stopping at the Millpoint hotel and at E. F. Nottingham's at the foot of the mountain.

Mr Fetterman has been working for the "Greenbrier and Gauley River Railroad Company" and expects in the near future to make connection with the latter river. The work, so far as it has progressed is very pleasing to all parties concerned.

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B. of E. Financial Statement

This settlement made July 2d, 1902, by Samuel Sheets, Deputy, for E. N. Moore, S. P. C., with B. of E. Greenbank District.

Teacher's Fund.

To amount charged to Sheriff, \$4522.41.

By amount credited, \$3818.99.

To amount due to date \$703.42.

Building Fund.

To amount charged \$2.31.21.

By amount credited, \$15.75.

To amount due to date \$803.34.

A true copy.

J. H. CURRY, Secretary.

TO CONTRACTORS

On Saturday, August 2nd, 1902, the board of education of Edra District will let to contract the erection of two school houses, one to be built at Linnwood and the other at Brady, to be paid for out of the levy of 1902, and to be completed on or before the 1st day of November, next. Sealed bids, accompanied with a bond of double the amount of bid, for either or both, will be received up to 12 o'clock on that day, at their office in the clerk's office of the Circuit Court, whose specifications may be seen.

The Board reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

—By order of the Board.

Detailed information can be had

C. M. Neff, depot agent is away on a vacation. On his return he will occupy the house recently vacated by S. B. Scott, Jr.

REUNION DAY

Here's the place on Valley Mountain
Where the soldiers camped (in grey).

We are here to pay our tribute
The unveiling is to-day.

(Chorus.)

They shall sleep, but not forever,
They will wake at early dawn,

And they'll join the marching army
On that great reunion morn.

As we now unveil the marble,
Will you in your thoughts draw

near,
O'er the graves of these our comrades.

Drop a reminiscent tear.

Now the weapons once they wielded
Are forever laid aside,

They were loyal to their country.

They were faithful till they died.
When they left their homes and loved ones

For the strife of the campaign

Leas expecting as they parted

That they ne'er should meet again.

On this mountain they are sleeping,

Angels may their vigils keep,

While the sons are "Sons of Veterans."

Still the widows lonely weep.

When the general moved his army

From this mountain you can see
Many soldiers left behind, him.

While the remnant followed Lee

Now, my comrades, be ye faithful,

For we have not long to stay,

And we hope to meet up yonder.

On that great Reunion Day.

JAMES W. JACKSON.

Slaty Fork, W. Va.

A BIG BASS.

There is a new pool in town. At the pier of the railroad bridge near the mouth of Knappa Creek where the water was formerly but a few inches deep, it is now from six to eight feet. It is a favorite bathing place for the boys of the town. They get back in the bushes and put on bathing suits, as demanded by the effete population of Marlinton, and disport themselves in the pool. They become very expert bridge jumpers, as the climb the pier and dive from the top of it. They are fast working up in the height of the jump, and will soon dive from the track, and if winter does not come too soon according to the progress they have been making they will be jumping from the top of the arch, some forty feet or so.

A big bass makes his home at the foot of the pier, and he has been given much attention lately. Last Tuesday evening the writer grappled with the said bass, and for the brief space of perhaps a minute played him all around the pool until the hook tore loose from his mouth. We can only describe the contest as being like trying to hold a steer by the hind foot. He has been angled for by nearly every fisherman in town. We were particularly fortunate in securing a horny head about eight inches long just below the pool. The club was caught on a craggy rock, so you may know it was a pretty good sized bait. It was not hooked just right, but we have learned from long experience that a big bass will hardly ever take a bait that has been handled by the fisher, so we allowed the hook to remain in the club as it was, and hurried to the pool just at dusk. When the club was put in the water it swam away fresh and strong but it was instantly seized by the bass and carried to the bottom of the pool. After a time we struck, and found that there was a fish on such as you read about. He kept getting free from the reel, and got nearer and nearer to the pier. Finally he either went under the pier or around the corner, and by taking a purchase on us tore the hook loose from his mouth and escaped. During his convalescence from this grievous affliction he wrote much in verse, of which this is a touching specimen:

At Cameron's, on Valley Mountain, I was shown lines written by Patrick Kenney, a native of Ireland. He was well known to a number of our readers of Linnwood section and adjacent vicinities in Randolph and Webster counties. He had been self-educated from Ireland on account of political reasons, and having spent his youth and early manhood in school and university with a view to some church preferment, he was learned from long experience that a big bass will hardly ever take a bait that has been handled by the fisher, so we allowed the hook to remain in the club as it was, and hurried to the pool just at dusk. When the club was put in the water it swam away fresh and strong but it was instantly seized by the bass and carried to the bottom of the pool. After a time we struck, and found that there was a fish on such as you read about. He kept getting free from the reel, and got nearer and nearer to the pier. Finally he either went under the pier or around the corner, and by taking a purchase on us tore the hook loose from his mouth and escaped. During his convalescence from this grievous affliction he wrote much in verse, of which this is a touching specimen:

MT. ZION.

We are having plenty of rain with cool nights. Corn is growing fine.

Our Sunday school at Mount Zion moves along nicely with 30 pupils enrolled.

Austin Sharp says he wants plenty of Lee in his.

We are sorry to hear that Robert Fertig is dangerously ill of typhoid fever.

Miss Birdie Weiford is staying with her sister Mrs Della Dilley on Thorne Creek.

Ira Fitzgerald, who has been learning the blacksmith trade at John Shrader's, has graduated and will soon be ready to set up business.

Forrest Weiford of the Hills has left for parts unknown.

Walter Grimes says he is tired of running away, and he's coming home to stay.

E. H. Dilley says the fish of the fish was never known as the river in Greenbrier River on the 1st.

Some people say there is no place like home, but Frank Moore says there is no place like the Hills.

Prince Charles has quite the lumber camp, and is farming at home.

We are sorry to say that the singing at Cove Hill has gone on in the absence of Rev. Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Grimes.

Miss Icy Shrader was visiting in the Hills on Friday last week.

Boys, get your bells ready. A few more weddings in sight, if all signs don't fail.

WILD INDIAN.

Patier desiring a good safe investment for small sums of money with a high rate of interest write us for particulars. A resident solicitor wanted.

Pennsylvania Improvement and Investment Company, 703 Baer Building Reading, Penn.

NOTES BY THE WAY

Collected by W. T. P. in Elk Valley,奔跑 to the Unveiling

An Obscure Poet, and a Specimen of His Verse: News of the Hospital People of Elk.

during the forenoon gave many prescriptions on the grounds.

H. B. Sharp on Elk has fields of corn that were in tassel and silk by the Fourth of July. His well-furnished and hospitable home is a noted resort for hunting and fishing parties. He was ten years old when General Lee's forces occupied Valley Mountain, and vividly remembers much that occurred. Among the Confederate soldiers were six brothers from Tennessee. Five died in a few weeks of each other, and are now in their 30s. The Citizens Trust and Guaranty Co., a corporation, J. M. Cunningham and Allie J. Yeager, trading and doing business as the Pocahontas Furniture House, Defendants.

The object of this suit is to cause the defendant to interplead and settle the ownership of a fund of \$2840.10 held by the plaintiff in trust, by testing the validity of the assignment made by H. A. Yeager before his death to Rella F. Yeager and Sallie G. Scott, of a life insurance policy, No. 109883, held by him in the Union Central Life Insurance Company of Cincinnati, Ohio. This day came the plaintiff by his attorney: and on his motion and it appearing by affidavit filed that the defendant W. H. Yeager is a non-resident of this State, it is ordered that he do appear here within one month after the first publication hereof and do what is necessary to protect his interest in this suit.

Since our last writing changes have taken place, spring has gone and summer with its burning heat has come. April and May were both moderately warm and dry. June was not so dry, but cooler for the season in this section.

The wheat is harvested and the farmers are cutting their hay. The wheat is almost an entire failure, and the hay is light. Bottom land meadows may average half a crop, but much of the upland is scarcely worth cutting. Unless the drought that is now on cut oats and corn short, they will probably do well. There is an abundance of corn planted. Owing to the wheat failure the farmers are making an extra effort to raise corn. There is also more buckwheat than usual sown in this section. Potatoes, and indeed all the late crops promise to be good: save the fruit which promised a good yield early in the season, but failed largely. Grapes have been saved by spraying them. Our gardens are unusually good.

Squire Saunders and Green Taylor, of Forest Hill, are operating with a well digger in this section, and are reported to be doing good work. They guarantee plenty of water in every case. They charge two dollars a foot, but never exceed \$15.00, however deep they may have to dig. One day last week, while digging a well on Wm Role's farm they struck a pine log over 20 feet beneath the surface and claim that they would rather dig through rock than pine logs or stumps, as they thought at first it might be a stump.

Rev. Wm. Ferrell has just returned from Camp Meeting, Mt. Lake Park, Md., and reports a pleasant trip and an excellent meeting.

The Greenbrier District Conference, M. E. Church, will convene at Union Chapel, Crabbottom, Va., September 3, 1902. If we go to Conference we will see the city of Marlinton once more, and perhaps give the Times a call.

Miss Lora B. Gay spent a month in the early part of this season visiting in Greenbrier, and Miss Annie Wall accompanied her on her return home. Miss Wall, after making a visit in this section, returned to her own home near the Blue Sulphur Springs.

Mrs Leah Hannan's friends in Pocahontas and elsewhere will be pleased to learn that she is in a fair way to lift the debt on that farm she purchased last winter. Mrs Hannan has sold her property at Rural Dale, Upshur County and thinks she will soon dispose of her three lots in Buckhannon. This woman, as we all know anything about her knows that she has had a hard lot since her husband died, but the mists are clearing away and she seems to be managing her matters well and getting into a position to care for her self and children.

A. G. Tucker, a deaf mute, son-in-law of D. S. Wickline of this place, connected with the Richmond Times, is here now on a vacation. Mr Tucker expects to return to Richmond the first of August and will move his family there in the near future. Arthur is a good fellow, a good business man also. He has got a good job at Richmond and means to look after it.

Rev. A. A. McLellan having been called to full time to the Central Baptist Church, Hinton, got released from the Wolf Creek Church. Mr and Mrs Joseph McLellan, his parents, will move from Cashmere, Monroe County, to Hinton this month. We congratulate those Hinton people in their good selection of a pastor, as well as the good people of Wolf Creek, who have called Rev. McLellan's place.

Little Ray, son of Mr and Mrs. W. W. Williams of our town is home from the Romney school, and having his summer vacation and lightening up the home of his parents with smiles and pleasanties. Little Ray will return again to school in September. Ray is a nice little boy and is highly appreciated by all who know him. He is doing well at school.

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